



19 May 2022

Kia ora whānau,

It has been a positive start to Term 2 and we are pleased to see everyone back on board for another fun term of learning. Miss Mitchell and Whaea Philippa are settling back well into Kākano and it is lovely seeing the smooth transition that has taken place and how settled that class is – and gosh the learning they have been doing – AMAZING!

We loved having the Kaipara Play trailer here for the start of the term – there is so much learning we can do through play and it is great to see everyone so ACTIVE! This was followed up in week 2 by a morning with the Parafed Trailer which included a lot of modified equipment with a focus on inclusion – so much fun!

As per our previous communication, we have had to change the date of our Teacher only day this term. This will enable us to attend the Ruawai Cross Country which is something our students always enjoy. Please see programme and lunch order form attached.

CROSS COUNTRY

We are combining with Ruawai Primary again this year for cross country on Friday 3rd June. Please find a lunch order form attached for anyone wanting to buy lunch. Please note that cash payment must accompany the order form and be in to our office by **Friday 27th May**.

11am Juniors	(5&6 year olds) will run at Ruawai Primary School
11:45 – 12:30	Lunch at Ruawai. All parents, caregivers and whanau are welcome to join us for lunch. Please see attached order form for anyone wanting to buy lunch.
12:30 – Seniors	(7yrs & older) Leave Ruawai Primary for Lugtigheid Farm, Blong Rd.

KĀKANO NEWS

We have settled into term two with both of us teaching in Kākano. Our topic this term is based on the experiences we have in Te Wā (our special place and garden). Children will be exploring different games and pastimes both historic and cultural with Miss Mitchell. Meanwhile there will be opportunities to find out about plants and gardens with Whaea Philippa. We will sow seeds, care for plants and cook from the garden. Children will also appreciate how our senses are crucial to enjoying these experiences as they learn about sight, hearing, touch, taste and smell.

Miss Mitchell and Whaea Philippa



MĀHURI NEWS

Kia ora whānau,

Term two is humming along already. Māhuri are enjoying Rocket Science every Wednesday, with grateful thanks to Paul Sorenson, who has taken on the role of ambassador once again.

We began the term looking into NZ history with the ANZACs and have continued in this theme by studying early NZ life. As many of you will know we are writing letters to either grandparents, or even great grandparents, asking about their childhoods. Studying early adverts and reading diary excerpts to support our understanding. Our focus is in fact 'Games and Pastimes', with the final task being for students to create their own games, so it's been wonderful to have started this term with the use of both play trailers.

This term students are creating different items for our 'Te Wā' space during Mac Club times on a Friday, as well as differing students called on to help Danya on a Wednesday for various jobs and artwork. It's certainly exciting to see so many of the children's ideas begin to take shape. We look forward to Matariki, when you will have the opportunity to see their creativity for yourselves.

As cross country takes place in a few weeks, daily training has begun, and I am impressed with the children's positive attitude and effort. Although it is early days...

Whaea Lyn.

RĀKAU NEWS

We had a successful finish to last term with the Aquabot competition. Our two teams competed successfully with the girls winning the best looking aquabot overall and the boys coming 1st in their formal presentation.



This term we had Noah, William and Aroha represent our school in the Regional EPro8 Competition where they place 5th overall – well done team! I continue to be so proud of how well our seniors continue to represent our school!



Work on Te Wā continues for Rākau and we have been working on some art works and enjoyed breaking dirt with a lot of hands on mahi last week!

We continue to focus in problem solving and basic facts in maths, in reading we are working on producing plays and we continue to explore a range of genre in writing.





FUNDRAISING

We are still on the lookout for 2 calves for the children to rear at school this autumn. If anyone has any beef cross calves they would be happy to donate please let us know.

NEWS FROM OUR LAST ASSEMBLY

Classroom awards: Mac Piper, Matthew Brogden, William Simpkin, Angus Leigh Mckenzie, Jariah Wilkinson, Gemma Brogden, Loc`e Crichton Kaka-Holtz, Kyla Walker



PATH card prize draw – William, Stella and Natasha



PATH card – first person to earn 25 PATH cards this year – Leila Gillespie!



TE WĀ

The hard mahi planning behind the scenes, is finally starting to show in our physical space this term. Last week Rākau students finally put their spade's in the ground! Māhuri helped the working bee by moving branches to the burn pile. Momentum was kept up in the following days with mounds of earth neatly scraped and piled by our favourite digger driver, Jeff Cleary, in preparation for our Koru paths and sensory walkway. Neil Piper has made us some raised beds. It is very exciting to see our students' vision taking shape.

Materials have been trickling in. Thank you so much for your support! But don't be shy! If you think you may have something of use please get in touch.

On that note - we need a **compactor for our path bases** - does anyone have one they would be willing to lend?



We are still looking for the following materials:

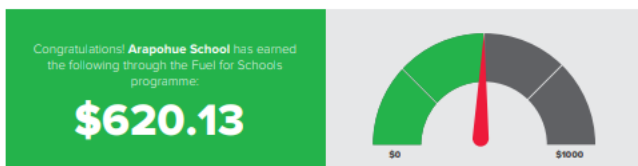
- 10+ totara batons and a few larger totara corner posts to use as borders. These can be very rustic!
- Old crockery - cups, plates, bowls, platters, tea pots- ceramic or glassware - anything that might be useful for bird bath towers, bee feeding stations and flower art.
- Native plants or grasses.
- Treated timber - various sizes 1 metre+ in length.
- Tree stumps/rounds - suitable for stepping stones or seats (macrocarpa?).
- Copper wire (any size or amount).
- Ponga logs

MAC clubs are working on art features such as fairy doors, wind chimes, tin can insects, bird feeders, rock art and bug hotels to adorn the space. We look forward to Matariki celebrations being a time for whanau to contribute to Te Wā. Later in the term we hope to host a working bee for those of you keen to assist with planting and other jobs.

Mauriora,
Kylie Piper
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2022 Term 2 Some Dates to Remember

Thursday	every week	Tech our Yr 7/8s – they need covered shoes on these days
Friday	3 rd June	Cross Country Ruawai
Monday	6 th June	Queens Birthday Holiday
Thursday	9 th June	NW Cross Country – Te Kopuru
Wednesday	15 June	Te Manawa Tahi Hub 9.00 - 10.30am
Friday	17 June	Teacher Only Day
Wednesday	22 nd June	Matariki Evening
Friday	24 th June	Matariki Holiday
Thursday	7 th July	Reports Home



2022 Term 2&3 ONLY

1st Dargaville Girls' Brigade

Our weekly program encourages girls to develop a range of physical, social, educational and spiritual skills which will empower them to be confident, caring and contributing members of society. Girls are encouraged to develop self-management and leadership skills. We strive to provide a caring, supportive, inclusive environment for all girls and their families, 5-18yrs.

Register Now on <https://www.trybooking.com/nz/eventlist/girlsbrigade?embed=1>

Badges earned for completion of work. Plus Year badges.



Cross Country Lunch Order – Friday 3rd June

Order and payment to school office by Friday 27th May

Name	Qty	Price	
Sausage		\$2 ea	\$
Brownie		\$2 ea	\$
Juicy		\$1 ea	\$
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